

Fire Corps Partners

International Association of Fire Chiefs/Volunteer Combination & Officer's Section  
www.iafc.org/www.vcos.org

International Association of Fire Fighters  
www.iaff.org

National Volunteer Fire Council  
www.nvfc.org

Fire Corps National Advisory Committee Members

Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI)  
www.cfsi.org

Fire Department Safety Officers Association (FDSOA)  
www.fdsOA.org

International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)  
www.firearson.com

International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters (IABPFF)  
www.iabpff.org

International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC)  
www.iafc.org

International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF)  
www.iaff.org

International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA)  
www.ifsta.org

International Society of Fire Service Instructors (ISFSI)  
www.isfsi.org

National Association of Hispanic Firefighters (NAHF)  
www.nahf.org

National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM)  
www.firemarshals.org

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)  
www.nfpa.org

National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC)  
www.nvfc.org

North American Fire Training Directors (NAFTD)  
www.naftd.org

Volunteers In Police Service (VIPS)  
www.policevolunteers.org

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*Citizens Helping the Fire & EMS*



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# What is Fire Corps?

Fire Corps is the key component of Citizen Corps that supports and supplements resource-constrained fire and EMS departments through the use of citizen advocates for non-operational activities. Fire Corps provides information to local fire and EMS departments nationwide on how to implement a citizen advocate program and promote it in their community. The Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corps program has formed a partnership with the International Association of Fire Chiefs' Volunteer & Combinations Officer's Section, the International Association of Fire Fighters, the National Volunteer Fire Council, and the U.S. Fire Administration to implement Fire Corps.

## Focus on FIRE & EMS

Fire and EMS Departments can engage citizens who are interested in assisting the department in a variety of non-operational activities. Departments can log onto [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org) and register their Fire Corp program to have it included in the national directory to help interested citizens contact you.

Information on how to implement Fire Corps within your department can be found at [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org).

## Focus on CITIZENS

Citizen advocates who aid departments in non-operational activities allow first responders to focus their efforts on the most critical, life-threatening situations. Everyone can do something to support their local fire and emergency service department.

Here are some suggestions gathered from America's own first responders for possible Fire Corps program activities:

- Promote fire safety and prevention in schools and homes
- Develop websites, computer programs for the department
- Aid in preparing communities to respond to emergencies and disasters of all kinds including threats of terrorism, fire, public health issues, etc., especially during major events when response agencies may be overwhelmed
- Assist with incident reporting and entering statistical data
- Grant writing
- Assist with public relations
- Fundraising initiatives
- Assist with youth mentoring programs

- Provide administrative and clerical support
- Assist with canteen services at major incidents
- Assist with typing reports, answering telephone calls, managing records, and other office tasks
- Assist with mitigation measures: wildland vegetation removal near structures, identifying unknown hazards, etc.
- Assist fire departments with community programs, such as roadside cleanup, food drives, and toy collections for families in need
- Assist with foreign language translation of safety literature
- Offer to serve in a department's auxiliary
- During times of heightened national security alerts, assist in planning for quick access to stocks of emergency supplies, shelter readiness and procedures review
- Help to improve understanding of specialized fire/EMS services such as hazardous materials response, urban search and rescue (USAR), youth services, water/mountain rescue, billing services, etc.
- Develop informational newsletters to include holiday or seasonal fire safety and prevention messages
- Provide assistance as a member of the Clergy
- Assist with development and maintenance of department libraries via labeling, cataloging, inventorying, text repairing, etc.

## Fire Corps *A part of a broader team*

White House Office of the USA Freedom Corps  
[www.usafreedomcorps.gov](http://www.usafreedomcorps.gov)

**Citizen Corps**  
Fire Corps is a Program Partner of Citizen Corps, the grass-roots effort that actively involves everyone in making communities across America safer, stronger, and better prepared for emergencies of all kinds. Coordinated nationally by the Department of Homeland Security, Citizen Corps and its Program Partners are a vital component of the White House of USA Freedom Corps and the effort to promote a culture of service, citizenship, and responsibility. To learn more about Citizens Corps, visit [www.citizencorps.gov](http://www.citizencorps.gov).

The Department of Homeland Security coordinates and manages Citizen Corps in partnership with the Department of Justice and the Department of Health and Human Services.



# Register your Fire Corps Program Now!

For more information or to register your Fire Corps program, please return the attached reply card, or visit us at [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org).



**Thank you for your interest in Fire Corps. For more information or to begin the free registration process for your fire or EMS department, please provide us with the following information:**

Department Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate the following (check all that apply):**

☐ I would like to begin the registration process for my department

☐ I would like more information about Fire Corps

**Please return to: Fire Corps or fax to (202) 887-5291**

If you have any questions, please contact us at (202) 887- 4809  
via email at [info@firecorps.org](mailto:info@firecorps.org), or visit us on the web at [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org).